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PRICE TWO CENTS

RIVER TAGUS IS A RAGING TORRENT NOW

Villages in Spain and Portu-
gal Are All under Water
at Present.

CORPSES IN RIVERS

Crops Are Ruined and Lisbon
Chamber Votes Big
Money for Relief.

MADRID, Feb. 8.—Serious floods
are reported from all parts of Spain
and Portugal. Many rivers are
overflowing banks and inundating
villages.

The river Tagus is a raging tor-
rent carrying on its tempestuous
bosom corpses and wreckage.

Crops are ruined and communi-
cation with the interior is cut off.

The Chamber at Lisbon today
voted \$500,000 for relief of the
flooded districts.

PETIT

Jurors Are Drawn for the
March Term of Crimi-
nal Court.

Petit jurors for the March term of
the criminal court, to report for duty
Monday, March 11, have been drawn
as follows:

Charles A. Cummins, Dennis Ward,
Gilmer W. Cunningham, Samuel C.
Carr, Harry D. Godfrey, Thomas B.
Pepper, John P. Robey, George Mills,
Abe Cottrill, Paul S. Hornor, John F.
Johnson, Floyd A. Lee, Mordecai
Lewis, John Crimm, Mathew Harrison,
George Lockwood, O. J. Lowe, D. J.
Hickman, Ellis R. Portney, S. R.
Griffin, E. K. Stout, H. J. Thompson,
James J. Connell, John F. Kearns,
Joseph J. Nutter, Ransler M. Rogers,
Truman E. Gore, Ira F. Lawman,
Jacob Bloch, Theodore Reichert,
Thomas J. Wolfe, William F. Dunkin,
George McConkey, George W. Morris-
son, W. G. Parr, Frank E. Highland,
H. E. Strother, John B. Post, T. J.
Parrish, Joseph L. Webb, Joe M.
Cohen, L. L. Tracey, Guy Shuttle-
worth, Selby Monroe, G. Harry Gor-
don, Charles J. Roy, Marion T. Cun-
ningham, and P. Bruce Bennett.

PLUNGE

Through Car Window by Al-
leged Horse Thief But
is Recaptured.

C. C. Heflin, arrested in Wheeling
on a charge of horse stealing, escaped
from Police Chief Gains, of Salem,
by jumping through a window of a Short
Line railroad coach near Smithfield
Wednesday night while the train was
going at a rate of forty miles an hour.
The train was stopped but the man
could not be found.

Heflin received a dislocated shoulder
and other injuries. His first
thought was to procure medical at-
tention and he made his way to Smith-
field, where he went to a doctor's
office. On seeing that Heflin had part
of a handcuff on one of his wrists,
the doctor detained him as a pris-
oner and turned him over to the po-
lice authorities there. Chief Gains
was informed of Heflin's capture and
returned to Smithfield for him Thurs-
day morning. The chief brought him
to the Harrison county jail on the
Short Line train arriving here a short
time before noon the same day.

IMPRISONED

Are Sixty-Two Miners But
They Are Getting Air
Through Tubes.

SUTTER CREEK, Calif., Feb. 8.—
One hundred and forty men are work-
ing rapidly to move debris which is
choking the mouth of the Bunker Hill
shaft to release sixty-two men impris-
oned yesterday when the slope caved
in. The shaft is believed to be
blocked for 100 feet but the men are
being supplied with air through tubes.

HIGHLAND REFUSES OFFER MADE TO HIM

To Be Made the Head of the
Taft Campaign in West
Virginia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—
Virgil L. Highland, chairman
of the Republican State Committee
of West Virginia, declared today after
a visit to the White House that he
would not become the active head
of the Taft organization in West
Virginia. He held that as chairman
of the Republican State Committee
it would not be proper for him to
do so.

Mr. Highland, however, is still
an enthusiastic Taft man and be-
lieves that Taft will have the de-
legation from West Virginia. It is
understood today that the Taft cam-
paign in the state will be directed
by Isaac T. Mann.

MAN KILLED.

WHEELING, Feb. 8.—George A.
Yaste, a young man 21 years of age,
employed as a brakeman in the local
yards of the B. & O. railroad was
killed at the foot of Twenty-third
street.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—May wheat
closed 1.03 1-2, corn 68 3-8, oats
52 3-8.

LORD CHURCHILL HOOTED BY IRISH

At Railway Station and He is
'Shown in Effigy at
His Hotel.

BELFAST, Ireland, Feb. 8.—Win-
ston Spencer Churchill, first lord
of the admiralty, arrived here today
from London for a much heralded
home rule speech. He was hooted
by a few persons at the station and
a party of Nationalists appeared at
his hotel bearing an effigy with the
words, "Down with Churchill, No
Home Rule."

The police guard the streets and
troops are held in readiness.

BODY

Of Man Who Lost His Life
Some Time Ago is
Recovered.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 8.—A body
identified as George C. Hutter, who
lost his life with his brother, Decem-
ber 26, 1910, while trying to cross the
ice at Kanawha Falls, after attending
a party at the residence of Mrs. Mar-
garet H. Williamson at Glen Ferris,
has been found near Scary, minus
head and one arm. The body was
prepared for burial and shipped to
the home of his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Edward Hutter, at Lynchburg,
Va. Hutter was well known in this
city.

LAND CASE PROBE TO BE MADE NEXT

Engineers Are Said to Have
Been Fined at Instance
of Land Promoters.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A formal
order for a congressional investiga-
tion of the Florida land cases in the
department of agriculture was passed
today by the House committee on ex-
penditures. Charges that Engineers
Elliott and Moorehouse discharged by
Secretary Wilson were victims of land
promoters will be probed.

SIGN ERECTED.

Electricians erected a big electric
street sign for Miss Rose Carr Thurs-
day in front of her hat shop in the
Oak Hall building on West Main
street, which will prove of splendid
advertising service at night.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued
to William Allen and Lora F. Conley
and Francesco Verdoline and Caucetta
Mazzel.

MR. LOWNDES

Is Named by the Governor of
Maryland As a Member
of His Staff.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 8.—Gov-
ernor Goldsborough last night named
the following prominent Mary-
landers as the personnel of his mili-
tary staff:

Quartermaster—General Robert
Garrett, of Baltimore county.

Chief of ordnance—Gist Blair, of
Montgomery county.

Judge advocate general—J.
Kemp Bartlett, of Baltimore City.

Inspector general—William D.
Gill, of Baltimore City.

Surgeon general—Dr. Herbert
Harlan, of Baltimore City.

Colonels and aides-de-camp—
George L. Bartlett, Talbot county;

Henry Laydner, Baltimore;

William B. Tilghman, Wicomico
county; William Whitridge, Balti-
more; W. Baden Lowndes, Atle-
gany; A. M. Allen, Harford county;

Edward C. Carlington, Jr., Balti-
more county; Herman C. Huffer,
Baltimore; and Albanus Phillips,
Dorchester county.

It is pointed out for example that
there are eight Democrats in the
present Congress from the state of
Pennsylvania; whereas there are but
three districts in the state which
normally should be Democratic.
Under the new apportionment, with
four members at large, Pennsylvania
will have thirty-six representa-
tives and it freely predicted by Re-
publicans here that at least thirty-
two of these will be Republican in
the next Congress.

The present Congress consists of
393 members making 197 necessary
for a majority. It is pointed out that
change of less than 11,000 votes out
of a total of more than 14,000,000
would have elected thirty-four Re-
publicans and changed a Republican
minority of thirty-four into a major-
ity of one, giving the Republicans
control of the House.

There are thirty-four congress-
ional districts in the country in which
a Democrat was elected in 1910 by
less than 1,400 plurality, running
from a plurality of one in the case
of Representative Smith, of Buffalo,
N. Y., and five in the case of Rep-
resentative Konop, of Wisconsin, to
1,375 in the case of Representative
Bulky, of Ohio. The total plural-
ity of the Democrats including
Berger, the Wisconsin Socialist, was
only 21,011, so that a change of less
than 11,000 votes, properly distrib-
uted among these districts, would
have defeated the entire thirty-four.

The thirty-three Democrats and
one Socialist, who were elected by
very small pluralities and whom the
Republicans expect to be able to
defeat with ease at the coming elec-
tion and the pluralities which they
received are as follows:

From California, Representative
Raker, plurality 134.

From Illinois, Evans 510 and
Fowler 317.

From Indiana, Morrison 593,
Rauch 1,246, Barnhart 1,100.

From Kansas, Taggart 1,115.

From Kentucky, Fields 623, Thom-
as 1,213.

From Maryland, Konig 238, Lewis
689.

From Massachusetts, Thayer 639.

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Hamlin 482, Russell 1,149, Daugh-
erty 816.

From Nebraska, Maguire 738,
Lewbeck 239.

From New York, Maher 862,
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From Ohio, Allen 489, Francis
408, Bathrick 965, Bulky 1,375.

From Pennsylvania, Diefenderfer
577, Lee 51, McHenry 84, Donohue
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have succeeded Republican members
of Congress who have been in the
habit of accomplishing something
for their districts. Under the policy
of the Democrats these new men will
be compelled to go home without
having accomplished anything for
their constituents. There is to be

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JOHNSON
Of California, a LaFollette
Supporter, Will Visit
Roosevelt Today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Colonel
Roosevelt and Governor Johnson of
California looked upon as a LaFollette
supporter are to hold a conference
some time today, it was said at
Roosevelt's office. Roosevelt had noth-
ing to say. He hopes also to see Gov-
ernor Curry of New Mexico, a former
rough rider.

BUTTER BAN BEGINS.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 8.—Following
the inauguration of the 1912 butter
by the congress of women's
clubs of western Pennsylvania, the
Pittsburgh Butter and Egg Exchange
voted to suspend the publication of
exchange quotations for a period of
thirty days.

BIG VICTORY NOW SIGHTED IN THE NATION

By Republicans Who Have
Gone over the Situation
Thoroughly.

TO HAVE NEXT HOUSE

Figures Are Produced to
Show the Basis of the
Hope They Have.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—
Republicans in Washington who
have carefully gone over the politi-
cal situation are hopeful that what-
ever may be the result of the pre-
sidential campaign, Republicans will
have a majority in the next House
of Representatives. The belief is
based upon the large number of
Democrats now in the House who
were chosen by very small pluralities
and who they consider may be de-
feated for re-election by the exercise
of a little effort on the part of the
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GOOD HOPE STORE BURNS TO GROUND

DEGREE

Entered in Circuit Court Par-
titioning the David Mc-
Intire Land.

In the circuit court Thursday a
decree partitioning lands of the
late David McIntire was entered, the
style of the case being Lora B. Tich-
ner et al against Mabel L. Tichner
et al.

The suit of the state against
Mary F. Wetzel to forfeit land to the
school fund was dismissed.

A lien was ordered extinguished
in the cause of John F. Cunning-
ham against William S. Williams
and others.

Final decree was entered in the
cause of the Schmulbach Brewing
Company against Thomas A. Hen-
eghan et al.

An injunction was dissolved in
the cause of George W. Shuttleworth
et al against the Fair Ground Im-
provement Association.

SON IS BORN.

Charles D. Johnson, former hotel
man, holds a high head today. The
stork paid him a visit last night in
the Broadus apartment house bring-
ing him and Mrs. Johnson their
first born—a ten-pound boy.

Clarence Westfall, a General
Merchant There, Has a
Big Loss.

The general merchandise store of
Clarence Westfall, of Good Hope,
was destroyed by fire of unknown
origin Wednesday night. Mr.
Westfall left the store at the usual
time Wednesday night, and as was
always his custom, he turned out all
the lights and the fire in the store,
and how the building caught fire is
a puzzle to Mr. Westfall.

The store was one of the largest in
that part of the country and carried
a large stock. Mr. Westfall's loss
will be more than \$8,000 with
\$3,000 insurance.

The fire was not discovered until
the building was all in flames and
as Good Hope has no water system
it was impossible to save anything,
no one venturing near the building.
Mr. Westfall will rebuild his
store immediately and if possible,
he will locate somewhere until his
new building is completed.

FULL OF MELODY.

A. P. Hall, the Cadenza musician,
is filled with melody today, resulting
from the birth of a pretty daughter
in his home on West Pike street yes-
terday. All are doing nicely and he
is receiving congratulations.

MAN'S NAKED BODY IS FOUND FROZEN

EMBEZZLEMENT

Charge is Preferred against a
Business Man and He
is Arrested.

MANSFIELD, O., Feb. 8.—Charles
H. Walters, former vice president of
the Mansfield Rubber Company, and
interested in concerns in three states,
was arrested here today charged with
embezzlement and larceny aggregat-
ing \$16,000.

INVENTORS

In This State Are Granted
Patents on Products of
Their Ideas.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Patents
have been granted to West Virginia
inventors as follows:

Benjamin Evans, Bluefield, mail
catcher and deliverer; William P.
Norris, Sistersville, automatic out
for tanks; William E. Pinkney, Scar-
bro, miner's lamp; George W. Ri-
diker, Wheeling, flushing apparatus
for water pipes; Earl A. Teets and
H. V. Varner, Clarksburg, antiseptic
instrument case.

In Ice Near An Ohio Town
with His Arms and
Head Cut Off.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Feb. 8.—The
naked body of a middle aged man was
found frozen in ice near here during
the night.

The arms and head had been cut
off.

Evidently it had been in the water
several weeks.

Efforts at identification today failed.

FIREMAN INJURED

And Loss of \$300,000 Sus-
tained When a Railway
Warehouse Burns.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—One fireman
was seriously injured and a loss of
\$300,000 was sustained, when the
warehouse of the Chicago Railways
Company burned today.

SHOCK IS LEFT.

FORT DE, France Martinique, Feb.
8.—An earthquake shock was felt
throughout the island today, but no
fatalities are reported.

N. D. JACKSON DEAD.

GRAFTON, Feb. 8.—Nathan D.
Jackson, a prominent citizen, is dead
at his home here of pneumonia.

GOMPERS INJECTS POLITICS INTO CASE

REVIVAL

Meetings at Shinnston Are
Aided by the Rev. Mr.
Long.

The Rev. W. M. Long went to
Shinnston Thursday to assist the Rev.
E. E. Manley, minister of the Shinn-
ston Christian church, in a series of
revival meetings, which opened there
last Monday night and which will con-
tinue for three or four weeks.

The Rev. Mr. Long attended the
meeting there Wednesday night but
returned to Clarksburg Thursday. He
will return for the usual Sunday ser-
vices at his church. He will deliver
a sermon at the morning preaching
service and at night Grant K. Lewis,
national secretary of home mission
work of the church, will deliver an
address concerning the work in his
field.

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on a brief business visit.

BETTER TOPICS FOR COUNTY SCHOOLS NOW

Suggested by the Federal
Government to Keep Up
Farm Life.

TEACHERS HOLD OUT

City Life as Ideal and Cause
Boys and Girls to Flock
to the City.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—
Running directly counter to the
"back-to-the-soil" movement, rural
school teachers are an actual force
in the depopulation of the country
districts. They set the faces of
country boys and girls toward the
city, and by idealizing city life they
induce a movement toward the cen-
ters of population that often de-
prives the country village of its best
citizens. This declaration is made
by Dr. Fred Mutchler and W. J.
Craig, two members of the faculty
of the Western Kentucky State Nor-
mal School, in a monograph which
the United States Bureau of Educa-
tion has just published for free dis-
tribution.

The tendency of the rural school
to encourage emigration to the city,
says the government publication, is
in consequence of the fact that the
course of study in most rural schools
is merely a copy of that given to
city school children, without refer-
ence to the different environment
and local needs of the country child.
As the result of giving the country
child an education modeled on city
lines, the authors declare that
"teachers everywhere, with rare ex-
ceptions, have idealized city life, and
unwittingly have been potent factors
in inducing young men and women
to leave the farm and move into the
city. The movement often carries
some of the best blood and brain of
the community into the city, often
to be lost, wasted or destroyed;
certainly to be lost from the rural
community. It is possible and right,
indeed a duty, to dignify rural life
and to save it and its interests the
best blood of the country."

"The rural school has not the in-
fluence that it should have. One
of the chief reasons lies in the fact
that the course of study is ill-
adapted to rural life in all its rela-
tions."

"We are united in believing that
a school train its pupils for life and
its work while these pupils are liv-
ing and working. The course of
study taught in the rural school to-
day is entirely too much like the
course that is taught in the city
school; in fact it has been modeled
to fit the needs of the latter without
consulting enough the ends that are
to be attained in the former."

As an indication of the cash value
of a course of study, specialized to
the needs of the rural community
and taught by trained normal gra-
duates, the monograph says:

"Canada's rural schools increased
the average wheat yield there five
bushels to the acre in a few years'
time. Suppose that our rural school
teachers should set for themselves
the problem of increasing the corn
crop five bushels per acre, what
would be the result? Let us see.
In 1910 the farmers of Kentucky
planted and cultivated 3,600,000
acres of corn, which yielded 105,
270,000 bushels. An increase of
five bushels per acre would have
made the yield 19,500,000 bushels
more. These 19,500,000 bushels of
corn would have brought, at the
average farm price (December 1,
1910, approximately, \$10,000,000.
"This money would have gone di-
rectly to the rural communities,
where it is much needed, and would
have been of vast importance in
solving the problems that confront
our rural people. It could have
been used to build 2,000 miles of
first class pike roads, or it would
have paid the expenses of our pub-
lic schools for two and a half years.
It would have gone far toward pay-
ing the farmers' taxes, or it would
have built and furnished many a
rural home. Can any one figure
the comfort and happiness that five
bushels more of corn per acre would
buy for the rural people of any
state?"

"What the rural schools can do
for improving corn culture they can
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